

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1 – 25 (cancelled)

Claim 26 (currently amended): A video displaying apparatus including a first video signal source for outputting a first video signal that is either of an interlaced signal having 480 effective scanning lines, another interlaced signal having 1080 effective scanning lines, a progressive signal having 480 effective scanning lines and another progressive signal having 720 effective scanning lines, a second video signal source for outputting a second video signal that is an interlaced signal having 480 effective scanning lines at an aspect ratio of 4 : 3, and a displaying section having an aspect ratio of 16: 9, the apparatus comprising:

a converter for converting the first video signal into a third video signal that is an interlaced signal having 1440 effective scanning lines;

a scale-down section for scaling down the second video signal in a horizontal direction of the displaying section by cyclically decimating pixels of the second video signal in the horizontal direction with no decimation of the scanning lines of the second video signal; and

a synthesizer for synthesizing the third video signal and the scaled-down second video signal so that a picture of the third video signal is displayed on a zone in the horizontal direction of the displaying section and another picture of the scaled-down second video signal is displayed on a remaining zone of the displaying section;

~~The video displaying apparatus according to claim 25, wherein the second video signal source includes a tuner, the apparatus further comprising:~~

a channel switch for sequentially switching channels received by the tuner so that pictures of the second video signal are sequentially different from each other in accordance with the switched channels; and

a memory for storing two still pictures of scaled-down signal components of the scaled-down second video signal, that correspond to two channels before switching,

wherein the synthesizer synthesizes the third video signal and the scaled-down second video signal so that the picture of the third video signal is displayed on the zone in the horizontal direction of the displaying section, and the two still pictures of the scaled-down signal components stored in the memory and another picture of a scaled-down signal component of the scaled-down second video signal, that corresponds to the present channel are displayed on the remaining zone as aligned in a vertical direction of the displaying section.

Claims 27 – 31 (cancelled)